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Dear Parents,

We have reached the end of May and what a busy month it has been!



Early in the month the Year 6 children completed their SATs. The children had to complete a reading paper, a grammar paper, a spelling paper and three maths papers. They attacked them with a very positive attitude and even though, at times, they found questions challenging, they showed great resilience and perseverance to carry on. The children did their very best which is all we can ask and we are all immensely proud of them. Hopefully, they will get the results they deserve when they come out in July.

We have been treated to three fantastic sharing assemblies this month from 3 Ash, 5 Elm and 4 Maple. It is always enjoyable to see the children working together to tell the whole school about work that they have done and are proud of. Being the first class to do their assembly, 3 Ash had the trickiest task having only been back from the holidays for a matter of days. They spoke so confidently and it was lovely to see how much they have progressed since joining us in September. 5 Elm came next and they taught us a very catchy song to help us to remember all of the states that make up the USA. The class were clearly keen and motivated to learn all they can about life in the US. Then it was the turn of 4 Maple. They delighted us with tales of Henry VIII's life and produced some wonderful models and portraits. In all the assemblies, the children demonstrated their super English and maths skills and the core values that are at the heart of our school. We are very proud of them!

Last week was national 'Walk To School' week. The children really got in to the spirit of it even though the weather wasn't that great. A large number of children got involved in the initiative and it was a great success. We have recorded the number of children that walked to school and this has been submitted to Wokingham Borough Council.

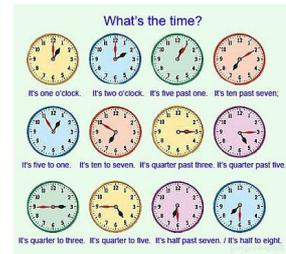


The final thing left for me to do is wish everyone a happy half term holiday. Fingers crossed the beautiful weather continues so we can all make the most of the break.

Best wishes,
Mr Thomas
Deputy Head Teacher

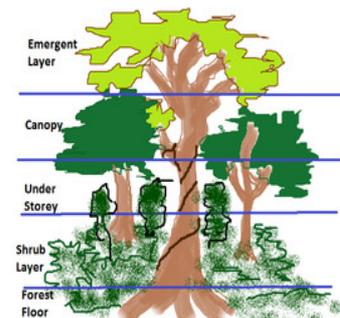
CURRICULUM NEWS by Mrs Stimpson

Year 3 have been exploring and writing play scripts in their English lessons. In maths they have been doing lots of addition and subtraction. They have also been trying to master the skills of telling the time. In science lessons, the focus has been on learning about animals, including humans. Their topic work has been based on learning about the history of Wokingham.



In Year 4 the children have been reading fairy tales and have been looking at their features before they write their own ones. In maths, they have been revisiting addition and subtraction column method. They have put their skills to good use in real life situations by going fantasy toy shopping and being customers and waiters in a restaurant role play. In science, they have been exploring sound and have carried out an investigation to see which materials would make effective soundproofing. They have also been working carefully on creating detailed portraits of Tudor kings and queens.

In Year 5 the children have been writing narrative poems based on 'The Highwayman' and 'The Owl and the Pussycat'. They are also now working on creating stories based on a film. In maths they have recapped addition and subtraction and using the column method. They are also moving on to looking at the relationships between fractions, decimals and percentages. In science the children have been learning all about forces and how water and air create resistance. They have been applying their knowledge of air resistance to design space capsules for egg astronauts to get them safely back to earth. For their topic work, they have been learning about the wonders of the South American rainforests.



Year 6 have been enjoying working on maths problem solving activities. In their English lessons, they have been holding trials and debating who was responsible for killing Jesus; writing a balanced argument on whether children should wear a school uniform and also doing research about political parties, writing speeches and preparing to vote for candidates in the upper school elections next Friday. Science work has involved learning about electricity and in topic they have looked at inventors and inventions. They have also started their swimming sessions which they were very excited about.

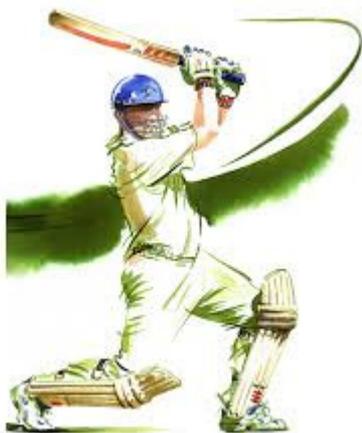
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SPORTS NEWS by Mr Fisher

We are having such amazing weather this week! It certainly makes my job a lot easier being outside in the glorious sunshine. The children certainly enjoy it more when the sun is shining aswell.

We have had a fairly quiet first half of the term playing cricket matches and entering our first orienteering competition. In the cricket league, we have played two matches and won both. A perfect start but a long way to go.

The after school cricket club is full of lots of children with great potential and ability. This means that I can rotate teams frequently for the matches. After the half term holiday, we have 3 more cricket matches to play and 3 tournaments to participate in, which everyone is looking forward to.



Our first orienteering competition was a brilliant and enjoyable experience. All of the children loved it and did really well. We will certainly be entering in to more competitions. I would like to say a massive well done to the children that came along; William Kinch, Freddie Brown, Shyla Evans, Selina Demarchi, Lillian Barber, Fflur Vieten, Oskar Vieten, Adam Face, Declan Crawley and Henry Cresswell.

Have a relaxing half term. I look forward to seeing you all again when we return in June.



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CAUGHT DOING THE RIGHT THING by Mr Thomas

Well done to all of the children who received a Caught Doing The Right Thing voucher this month.

Hummingbird:

Kameron Waddon, Jazmine Crawford, Molly Riddex, Adam Rustom x 3, Callum Ahmed, Sophie Dowse, Precious Nkum, Gui Duarte Pereira x 3, Mahi Garg, Sam Nimmey, Andy Randrianantoandro, Sophie Joseph, James Clarke, Nivetha Manikandan, Aishe Sahto x 2, Nadia Drury x 2, Jasmine Jasper, Precious Nkum.

Kingfisher:

Joe Morshead, Will Jones x 2, Leo Standing, Phelix Manning x 3, Rufus Ashley x 2, Nicole Hambleton, Henry Nash, Angharad Jones x 3, Louca Harrison, Divyanshi Dahiya, Ethan Yates, Aine Ballantine., Matilda Redgate

Redstart:

Jessica Dhaliwal, Amy Gane x 4, Ryan Doyle x 3, Owen Ward, Zainab Kanu, Loriarna Defazio, Joey Uschold, Lillian Barber, Ben Sprackling x 3, Ethan Marihoho, Joshua Walgate x 3, Abi Turpin, Becky Turpin, Emma Goodwin, Holly Williams, Jacob Mears, George Rosenthal x 2, Anabelle Froggatt, Isabella L'Hoste, Sofia Godwin.

Golden Eagle:

Rebeka Subotic x 2, Chloe Shackelford x 3, Chase Jackson, Troy Dolton x 2, James Nash, Thomas Williams x 2, Henry Cresswell, Sophie Woodason, James Foote x 3, Taiya Smith, Levi Warnhammar x 2, Cody Warnhammar x 2, Amelie Lenihan x 2, Eddie Newman.

A MESSAGE FROM MR FENTON

Mr Fenton has asked us to pass on his thanks to all the parents that have sent him get well messages and to all of the children for the wonderful cards they made him. He has been very touched by everyone's concern. He is recuperating extremely well and will be back with us after half term.



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PTA 100 CLUB WINNERS

We are pleased to announce the following winners for April's PTA 100 club draw.

1st prize: Mrs E Williams

2nd prize: J B Beavis

3rd prize: M Steliaros

Congratulations to all of the winners.

ATTENDANCE FIGURES

The attendance figures for April are available and we can confirm that the top three classes were:

3 Ash—98.2%

6 Fir—97.8%

6 Beech—97.5%

Well done to everyone for their excellent attendance.

MATHS PROBLEM by Mr Thomas

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Pay Ethan Smith	£ 184.00
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Pay Andrew Johnson	£ 2601.00
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Pay Daniel Williams	£ 18517.00
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TransumBank	18 May 2017
Pay Christopher Jones	£ 6778558.00
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E.g. £123.00 = One hundred and twenty three pounds only.



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REMINDERS

Half Term	-	w/c 29th May
Inset Day	-	5th Jun
School Re-opens	-	6th Jun
Year 6 Swimming	-	8th Jun
Year 6 PSHE Meeting For Parents (5.00pm)	-	8th Jun
3 Larch Sharing Assembly (9.00am)	-	9th Jun
Year 6 Photo for Wokingham Papers	-	12th Jun
Year 6 Swimming	-	15th Jun
5 Cedar Sharing Assembly (9.00am)	-	16th Jun
6 Fir Bikeability	-	19th to 21st Jun
Year 5 PSHE Meeting for Parents (5.00pm)	-	20th Jun
Year 6 Swimming	-	22nd Jun
Year 4 Trip to Ufton Court	-	22nd Jun
4 Pine Sharing Assembly (9.00am)	-	23rd Jun
Non-Uniform Day	-	23rd Jun
Year 2 Parent Induction Evening (6.30pm)	-	26th Jun
Changeover Day	-	28th Jun
Year 6 Swimming	-	29th Jun

LETTERS SENT THIS MONTH

10th May	-	Year 6 Photo's for Wokingham Papers
12th May	-	Year 5 Maths Challenge (selected children)
15th May	-	R Fenton Absence
17th May	-	WADE Painting Competition
17th May	-	Year 5 PSHE
17th May	-	Year 6 PSHE

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